



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Neely, et al.)
Serial No.: 09/165,034)
Filed: October 1, 1998)
Title: Differential Basis Weight)
For Nonwoven Webs)

Group Art Unit: 1771
Examiner: Jeremy R. Pierce
Our Ref. No.: KCX-85 (13195)
Our Account No.: 04-1403

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 8, 2002, please amend the above application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 10, 12 and 35 to read as follows (marked changes included as Appendix A):

10. (Amended) A nonwoven web as defined in claim 1, wherein said fibers comprise polymeric crimped fibers.

12. (Amended) A nonwoven web as defined in claim 1, wherein said fibers comprise pulp fibers and polymeric fibers.

35. (Amended) A laminate comprising:

a first layer comprising a substrate; and

a nonwoven web adhered to said substrate, said nonwoven web having a first end and a second and opposite end, said nonwoven web comprising polymeric fibers, said nonwoven web defining first areas having a first basis

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This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated herein by reference and the signature below is to be treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

Fee requirements (if any) have been calculated as shown below:

Claims remaining after amendment	Highest number previously paid for	Present Extra	Additional Fee
Total Effective Claims 57 minus 54 = 3		x \$18 =	\$ 54.00
Independent Claims 3 minus 3 = 0		x \$84 =	\$ 84.00
If amendment enters <u>proper</u> multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for <u>first</u> time, add \$279.00 (per application)			\$
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Date: November 7, 2002

I hereby certify that this correspondence and any referenced attachment and fee are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231, on November 7, 2002

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